

# Keggas Defend Tournney Crown

## Devils Falter In Title Bid

Second best is a lackluster position, but when it refers to second best in the largest state in the nation, the term suddenly gains new found significance. That is exactly what the Torrance Red Devils are, the second best Connie Mack League team in California. Santa Cruz won the highly

## Huge Field To Battle At Ascot

Forty-eight drivers will be battling for 18 starting positions Saturday night in the 50-lap main event at Ascot Park in Gardena as the United States Auto Club-sanctioned midget car races move into their ninth week of competition.

It will be the biggest field yet for the blazing 110 Offenhausers since promoter J. C. Agajanian revived Gilmore Stadium days with weekly programs on the quarter-mile Ascot Park oval.

The Gardena speedway is patterned after the famed ex-Hollywood track.

VETERAN pilots will pit their experience against youth in the main event with a pair of racing grandfathers, Billy Cantrell and Allen Heath, leading the oldtimers against the youngsters, headed by Bob Hogle.

Hogle is hailed by Ascot observers as the next Indianapolis star from the Southland, trailing Torrance's blazing Parnell Jones, who cut his teeth on area speed pits.

OTHER veterans include Joe Garson, who at 56 is the oldest registered USAC driver in the country. Johnny Moorehouse at 41 qualifies as a young old-timer.

The 18 drivers in the 50-lap event, where national championship points are awarded, come from inverted-start eight-lap heats with the quickest qualifiers starting on the rear end.

Six events support the main event Saturday night.

## VANDALS HIT

## Officials Replace Stolen Markers

Markers for the Redondo Beach artificial fishing reef are back in place and anglers may once again fish the area with confidence, the Department of Fish and Game announced the past week.

A vandal or vandals unknown, displaying a new low in sportsmanship, recently up-anchored the two orange-and-white marker bouys, towed them to another location and shot them full of holes, perhaps hoping to sink them.

Identity of the culprits is

disputed right to call itself number one last Saturday with a 1-0 win over the Devils in a 10-inning contest.

The power-happy Satans won the contest everywhere but on the scoreboard as they pounded out 10 hits compared to six safeties by Santa Cruz.

STEVE WOODY rapped three hits while Carey Hubert and Steve Waters added a pair of raps, but it was not enough to halt hard-throwing Chuck Pierce from gaining the win.

Pierce fanned 13 batters and won his own game with a tenth-inning single. The Santa Cruz chucker slapped three hits in four trips to the plate off loser Larry Bradshaw.

BRADSHAW, an All-City thrower from Gardena High, struck out 10 and walked only two during the extra-inning battle.

Defeat wound up a spectacular season for the Red Devils. During a lengthy campaign against the top teams in Southern California and eventually the state, Torrance suffered only three losses while putting together 16 triumphs.

UNDER THE guidance of veteran youth mentor Bo Palica, the Devils won five games in the state playoffs, including one victory against Santa Cruz.

All told, Torrance battered Santa Cruz for 25 hits in the two times they met. In the first encounter, Ernie Clayton and Waters banged four hits apiece to back up winner Bob Delzel and pace a 9-5 victory.

TORRANCE High's All-Pioneer League Player-of-the-Year Don Coil added another honor to a glowing career as he no-hit Compton during the tourney.

Only the cross-town Torrance Bullets were able to afford the Red Devils any degree of competition during the South Bay League season.



SOUTH BAY'S BEST . . . Compiling an 11-1 record, the Torrance Red Devils walked off with the South Bay Connie Mack League championship during the summer and advanced into the state finals before being knocked out by Santa Cruz, 1-0 in a 10-inning encounter. Pictured above are (bottom, L to R) Joe Burton, Ernie Clayton, Larry McWhirter, Ken Balch, Don Coil,

Steve Woody, Bob Delzel, Rod White and coach Clarence Ravali. Also pictured are (back, L to R) manager Bo Palica, Rick Ganulin, Gary Butcher, Irv Palica, Steve Waters, Dave Hepburn, Bill Coffman, John Cambon, coach Pete White and sponsor Pat Moriarity. Comprised of high school and college all-stars, the Red Devils dropped only one regular season encounter.

## Top Clubs Open Play Tomorrow

Sixteen of the top slo-pitch teams in Southern California will gun for the second annual West Coast Invitational Tournament crown this weekend but they all face one common obstacle — the Torrance Tappa Keggas.

Although slo-pitch competition has improved immensely the past year, the Tappa Keggas are still the class of Southern California and will be out to prove it as they defend their tournament title over a three-day span at Perry Park in Redondo Beach.

The City of Redondo Beach and the Redondo Beach Chamber and Junior Chamber of Commerce will again sponsor the event.

REDONDO BEACH Mayor William F. Czuleger has announced the top 16 teams in the area have accepted invitations to compete. First round games will begin tomorrow night with both morning, afternoon and evening contests scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

Joining the Keggas in representing the Torrance area will be the All-Stars and the Breezers, victors in a Torrance Recreation Department playoff to determine who would participate in the tourney.

OTHER TOP entries include last year's runners-up, the Long Beach Youngbloods, as well as clubs from Chula Vista, Santa Ana, El Monte, Gardena, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Santa Monica, El Segundo and Hawthorne.

Undergoing a rebuilding year, the Tappa Keggas got off to a slow start in West Coast Slo-Pitch Assn. play and managed a 10-2 record, good enough for second place, in the first round of play.

SUDDENLY FINDING the right combination, the Kegs proceeded to hang up an 11-1 mark during the second round to tie with the vaunted Los Angeles Old Timers for the circuit championship.

The slo-pitch tournament is being held this year in conjunction with the First Annual International Surf Festival sponsored by the cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach.

George Fowler of the Gardena Recreation Department will manage the Tournament with Joe Watt of Redondo Beach and Elmer "Red" Moon of Torrance assisting.

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## South Bay Cities Will Host International Surf Contest

Water activities in almost every vein imaginable will dominate the South Bay cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach this weekend as the First Annual International Surf Festival bursts into existence.

Competition will range from surfboard races to championship volleyball contests.

A Land Line Rescue Demonstration by Los Angeles County lifeguards will open the activities at 8 p.m. tomorrow at Manhattan Beach.

THE DEMONSTRATION will be followed by two surfboard races, the annual Taplin race for lifeguards and the presentation of trophies.

Saturday's activities include a team surfing contest, a three-mile rough water swim, a volleyball tournament, the Iron Man race, a two-mile Dory race, and various surfmat and surfboard contests.

ON SUNDAY, the concluding day of the festival, there

will be team surfing and volleyball finals as well as a banquet and awards presentation.

The Iron Man race is a grueling test of skill for lifeguards in which they must swim one-quarter mile, paddle a surfboard one-quarter mile and row a dory for one-quarter mile.

ENTERED and favored will be former winner John Stonier, a former El Camino College swimming mainstay, and Howard Lee. Both represent the Los Angeles County Lifeguards.

The race will be conducted in front of the County Lifeguard Headquarters at 1101 Strand, Redondo.

MANY OF the top volleyball teams in the country will converge on Manhattan Beach Saturday and Sunday for the sixth annual Southern Municipal Athletic Federation Beach Volleyball Tournament.

Leading over 300 athletes will be the Hollywood Stars

who in the past 14 years have won the national championship 11 times. The Long Beach Aherns, who have held the U.S. women crown since 1955, will also compete.

FOR THE angler, over \$1000 worth of fishing tackle will be awarded during the fishing derby. Anglers must register at one of four registration locations in the three beach cities.

Registration and weigh-in stations are located at 403 Pacific Coast Highway, King Harbor and Fisherman's Wharf.

## SLO-PITCH RESULTS

### ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT

Park Department 4, Fire Fighters 3  
All Stars 4, Rick's Bar 2  
St. Lawrence 5, Mobil 1  
Breezers 2, Kiwanis 3  
Breezers 6, St. Lawrence 5  
All Stars 4, Park Dept 3  
Breezers and All Stars gained berths in the Redondo Slo-Pitch Tournament.

### MONDAY SLO-PITCH

Columbia Construction, 7; Paul's Impalas, 6  
Torrance Elks, 6; Port of Call, 3  
Party House Raiders, 2; Breezers, 1

### TUESDAY SLO-PITCH

Kling Pipe against Unproductables (double forfeit)  
Mobil 21, Fire Fighters "A" 0  
Warriors over Touchables (forfeit)

### WEDNESDAY SLO-PITCH

Fire Fighters "B" 9, Edison Co. 2  
Computer Science Corp. 11, Falcons 1  
Mobil 22, Rose Bud Dairy 4

### EL NIDO SLO-PITCH

Torrance Optimist Club 10, King's Men 2  
Park Dept. 12, Throwaways 4  
South Bay Church of God 14, Los Caracola 0

### FRIDAY SLO-PITCH

Rick's Bar over Torrance Police Officers Assn. (forfeit)  
Gardena Comets, 8; Kambling Recs.  
Hollywood Riviera Sportsmen over Knight Owls (forfeit)

### INTER-CITY LEAGUE

Torrance First Baptist, 20; Redondo First Baptist, 7  
Torrance Church of God, 4; Palos Verdes First Baptist, 3

### TORRANCE CHURCH LEAGUE

Ascension Lutheran, 8; Resurrection Lutheran, 5  
King's Men, 12; Compton Assembly, 10

### INDUSTRIAL SOFTBALL

AllResearch 6, Mobil Oilers 3  
Harvey Aluminum 10, Vickers 1  
South Steel over Harbor Hornets (forfeit)  
South Bay Church of God 14, R. C. Mahon 0

### OPEN SOFTBALL

Torrance Bears 1, Half-Wrecks 0  
Torrance Douglas 2, Variety Players 2 (tie)

### Track Meet Set

Mira Costa High School will hold its final All-Corners track meet of the season Saturday at 1 p.m. according to Mustang spike coach Ed Austin.

## Cycle Daredevils Race in Gardena

Twist, turn and jump will be the story for motorcycle's dare-devils, the steepchase, tomorrow night at Ascot Park in Gardena.

Bakersfield's Sid Payne will lead a pack of the top steepchase artists on the Pacific Coast as he goes in quest of his fourth victory of the year.

Payne, the top man in Bakersfield's mighty triumvirate that includes Clark White and Dave Palmer, leads Ascot TT expert class point standings and has won three of promoter J. C. Agajanian's seven 1963 races.

SKIP Van Leeuwen of Lakewood has won twice while White and Jack Simmons of Artesia have bagged single victories. White last year led all steepchase riders of the nation in overall points.

Simmons and White will be revenge-bent tomorrow night after both suffered spills in the Aug. 4 Ascot TT program.

THE AMATEUR 10-lap main event brings about a resumption of the duel between Bob Bailey of Torrance and Eddie Mulder of Burbank. Top

ping the eight-lap novice feature are Dusty Coppage, Granada Hills; Doug Christopher, Los Angeles; and Paul Wilde, Long Beach.

Tomorrow night's card is a prelude to the second annual 50-lap Grand National TT Championships Sept. 20-21 over Ascot's hazardous seven-turn course.

Barrier jumpers are replacing the oval track riders tomorrow night for only one program with the half-milers returning next Friday.

## City Submits Bid For LL Regionals

Bidding for the Western Regional Little League Tournament for Torrance in 1965, John Schnepf is attending a meeting of LL district administrators in Sunnyvale, Calif., today, tomorrow and Saturday.

Schnepf served as tournament director for the recent California Section 6 series at Garrett Field and Mobil Field in Torrance and is representing District 27.



SCORING EFFORT . . . Sandy warriors will return to Manhattan Beach on Saturday and Sunday for the sixth annual Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation Beach Volleyball Tournament that will be a highlight of the First International Surf Festival sponsored by the cities and Chambers of Commerce of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach.



FESTIVAL QUEENS . . . Selected as royalty for the First International Surf Festival which begins tomorrow and runs through Sunday are (L to R) Peggy Angelidis, Manhattan Beach; Diane McEvers, Hermosa Beach; and Patti Campisi, Redondo Beach. The three-day event will feature every type of aquatic activity under the sponsorship of the three South Bay cities and their Chambers of Commerce.